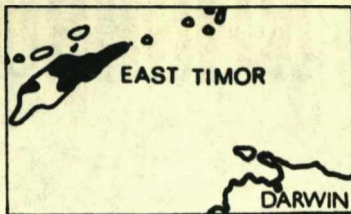


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TIMOR UPDATE

The war of genocide against the people of the Democratic Republic of East Timor continues..... Below are excerpts from messages received in Australia via the FRETILIN radio during October to December 1985:.....

The cowardly murderers force the population to go ahead while they follow behind. If, despite all these precautions, they fall into a guerrilla ambush, the unfortunate civilian population who go ahead, are beaten, tortured & imprisoned by the occupiers.

The reason for their imprisonment was the suspicion that they passed information to the guerrillas which made possible operations carried out in Jan. 85 against the military posts of Lakalou & Sama Lai. After being brutally beaten, they were tied up & sent to the Bacau Kodim where they were interrogated with electric shocks, cigarette burns & boiling water baths. Their present situation is unknown.

Lately, every morning the population is ordered to form into lines so that the Indonesian authorities can choose 20 to 30 able bodied people, to be used as free labour, for the transport cane, the manufacture of tables & chairs for the Indonesian aggressors, without earning a single cent. Besides this work, other free labour forced on them includes making personal belongings for occupying officials.....

Although this information came through the last radio contact we have had with East Timor, news from other sources, indicates nothing has changed. It is therefore imperative that a ceasefire be agreed to and that negotiations for a political settlement be arranged.

ALP NATIONAL CONFERENCE

In July this year, the ordinary members of the ALP have a golden opportunity to steer the leadership away from its disgusting and craven policy of appeasement towards the Jakarta generals.

Some indication that even Bob Hawke had had enough of the antics of Suharto and his vicious mates came to light in April when Australian journalist, David Jenkins wrote an article in the Sydney Morning Herald exposing the corruption of the Suharto regime. It was obvious that a firm response was required to Jakarta's hysterical reaction.

Interestingly enough, the information in Jenkin's article has been around for nearly a decade and the writer himself lived in Indonesia for a number of years and was known as being somewhat of an apologist of the Indonesian dictatorship.

While Hawke's response was a decided improvement on past performance, it did not go far enough. The ALP Conference is an appropriate time for the ALP membership to spell out to Messrs Hawke and Hayden that there are more pressing concerns about our relations with Indonesia than the banning of Australian journalists and the cancellation of visits by Indonesian dignitaries (??).

These concerns of course are the human rights of the peoples in the region who are suffering because of the policies of Suharto - East Timorese, West Papuans and Indonesians themselves. It is therefore crucial that this conference carry resolutions demanding:

human rights and self determination for the East Timorese

Australia play a role to bring about peace and justice in East Timor

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C.I.E.T. asks that its supporters take the following action:

- *write or phone your union, your local ALP sub branch delegates to the ALP conference, ALP MPs etc calling for a policy that reflects the issues raised in this newsletter
- *call on other organisations that you belong to to approach the ALP
- *write letters to the press- if you are an ALP member, write to the Labor Herald (c/o ALP, Trades Hall)



FORMER INDONESIAN MP TO VISIT ADELAIDE

Ernst Utrecht, an MP in the Indonesian Parliament and a member of Sukarno's Supreme Advisory Council, is coming to Adelaide in June to speak at a public meeting and to address trade union and university groups.

Ernst was born in Java and lectured law at the University of Indonesia between 1954-57. From 1958-66, he was professor of law at the same university.

He was also active in the left of the Nationalist Party of Indonesia (PNI) and was a member of the Indonesian Parliament for the PNI from 1955 until 1966. During the Suharto coup, Ernst was imprisoned and stripped of all his parliamentary and academic functions. From 1966 to 1968, he was under house arrest. While visiting Australia in 1969, the Indonesian Government revoked his citizenship.

Since then, he has spent much time in the Netherlands. Currently, he is a Professorial Fellow with the Institute for Policy Studies and the Transnational Institute, Washington D.C. He is also a Research Consultant at the University of Sydney and a visiting professor at the Jawaharlal Nehru University, in India.

Ernst knows the repressive Suharto regime from personal experience and is well qualified to address us on the subject of "Indonesia and its neighbours". Encourage your friends to come and hear what he has to say.

AMNESTY'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

On the 28th May 1986, Amnesty International celebrated its 25th birthday. During the past 25 years AI has worked on behalf of 30,000 prisoners of conscience in many countries. Its activities have led to a greater awareness of human rights in the world community. This awareness has resulted in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights which has been signed by 80 countries and an international convention against torture.

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YOU ARE INVITED TO A PUBLIC MEETING ON:

'INDONESIA AND ITS NEIGHBOURS'

TO HEAR

ERNST UTRECHT

FORMER MEMBER OF THE INDONESIAN PARLIAMENT
NOW WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR POLICY STUDIES
& THE TRANS NATIONAL INSTITUTE, WASHINGTON D.C.

ALSO

JOHN CRAWFORD

PRESIDENT, SA BRANCH OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

SUN, 15th JUNE

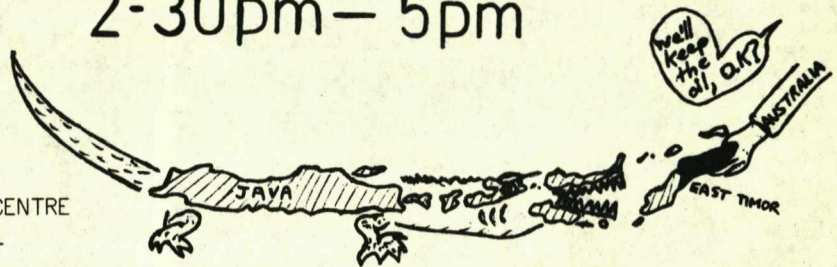
2-30pm - 5pm

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FIRST FLOOR, 155 PIRIE ST
ADELAIDE

discussion followed by wine, cheese & biscuits

organised by Campaign for an Independent East Timor
c/o World Workshop, 155 Pirie St, Adelaide

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Human rights violations in East Timor has been one of Amnesty's major recent concerns. In 1985, the organisation printed a 92 page book "East Timor-Violations of Human Rights". This was followed by a pamphlet "Human Rights in East Timor". And early this year, the SA branch of AI prepared a display of their work which included a section on East Timor.

Prominent in the display was information about the "disappearance" of Maria and Leopoldo Joaquim, the niece and brother of Teresa Pedrucco, who lives in Adelaide and is a supporter of C.I.E.T.

The C.I.E.T. Committee sent a letter of congratulations to the SA branch of AI for both the quality of the display and for the organisation's 25 years of service in the area of human rights.

John Crawford, Amnesty's SA President, will address our public meeting on the 15th June.

RADIO LIBERATION 5MMM

The first week of June will see the launching of Radio Liberation on Station 5MMM. This programme, which is being sponsored by solidarity groups in Adelaide, will go to air between 5-7 pm every Wednesday.

Topics to be covered include human rights, liberation struggles, etc in the third world including East Timor. It is intended that Ernst Utrecht will be interviewed for Radio Liberation during his visit to Adelaide.

COMING EVENTS

SUNDAY 15TH JUNE 2.30pm
Indonesia & Its Neighbours
with Ernst Utrecht & John Crawford
World Workshop (see details above)

SUNDAY 15TH JUNE 1pm
SA CARE Demonstration against
apartheid
Meet in Victoria Square
before CIET meeting

SAT. 28TH JUNE
12.30-5.45PM

CAA's Seminar: "Disarmament & Development- understanding the link"

(including a workshop on Indonesian militarism)

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